# **URVEY AND INVENTORY STANDARD**

# Washington State Standards for Cultural Resources





















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### INTRODUCTION

The Washington State Inventory of Cultural Resources (herein after referred to as the Inventory) contains thousands of records documenting archaeological and historic resources across the state. As such, this repository contains volumes of information revealing important insights into the hundreds, if not thousands, of years of human activity within the present-day boundaries of Washington.

The Inventory plays a critical role in cultural resource management and historic preservation planning activities statewide. The inventory forms, survey reports, maps, photographs, sketches and other document types held in the Inventory are invaluable for a variety of users including property owners, cultural resource

consultants, researchers, government agencies, tribal governments, planners, and project designers. By first exploring the Washington State Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation (OAHP) inventory holdings, researchers are able to gain important information for project planning, environmental assessments, and land use management, as well as local growth management planning efforts.

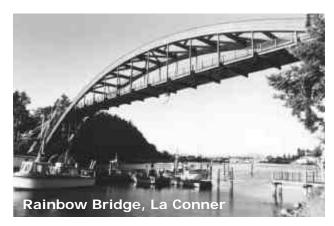


Federal and state statutes mandate that OAHP (as the State Historic Preservation Office) retain and manage inventory records of sites in Washington. Records held in the Inventory document "property types" in one of the following general categories: buildings, structures, sites, districts, and objects.

As steward of the Inventory, OAHP is responsible for managing this large and complex database. In this role, the office strives to make the information as useful as possible. Several staff members devote their full time and energy toward this end. As a result, major progress has been made to place the new records into electronic databases. Also, the office has been working to transform the Inventory's legacy paper documents into an electronic image. This transformation into a digital format is designed to speed the retrieval of a specific record while at the same time helping to conserve the original documents.

Within the pages of this booklet, OAHP conveys general guidelines, specific requirements, and useful tips about the survey and inventory process. The resulting document is intended to explain survey standards and expectations plus provide direction for preparing and submitting inventory forms (both the **Archaeology Site Inventory Form** and the electronic **Historic Property Inventory Database**) along with the survey reports that accompany them. The

document's intended audience includes survey project personnel charged with conducting survey activities, plus those completing inventory forms and writing the survey project reports. Readers should be aware that information in this booklet is guided in large part on National Park Service (NPS) directives as identified in the Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines for Archaeology and Historic Preservation, Federal Register, Vol. 90, No. 140:44716.



Readers should also be aware that these guidelines do not set or interpret any policies, regulations, or permit requirements of any other public agency. For survey projects tied to federal, state, or local laws, these guidelines provide only technical information about the survey and inventory process and completion of related reports. For questions about procedures and parameters of cultural resource

legislation and regulations (such as Section 106 and related policies and protocols) contact should be made directly with the federal, state, or local decision-making agency. Agencies conducting multiple small-scale surveys are encouraged to contact OAHP regarding field strategies as well as reporting requirements for large classes of projects requiring cultural resource inventories.

Before delving into the "nuts & bolts" of survey & inventory work, we devote a few pages to provide a theoretical framework on the topic. This background information is followed by limited discussion about historic preservation terminology with the intent of clarifying how that terminology is used within this document. Finally, it should be remembered that when specific questions or issues arise during the use or preparation of materials associated with the Inventory, you are encouraged to contact the appropriate OAHP staff member for assistance. For additional assistance, visit our website at <a href="www.oahp.wa.gov">www.oahp.wa.gov</a> or contact our office at (360) 586-3065.

# IDENTIFYING CULTURAL RESOURCES: A THEORETICAL GROUNDING

Before presenting technical aspects of cultural resource survey work and completing inventory forms, it is useful to provide a brief discussion on underlying principles guiding cultural resource identification efforts. These principles have been developed by Heritage Preservation Services staff at the NPS in order to set minimum standards for state historic preservation agencies to apply toward identification efforts within their respective jurisdictions. Therefore, this theoretical foundation is intended to explain how OAHP arrives at guidelines deemed necessary for successful implementation of a statewide survey and inventory program meeting NPS standards.

To begin, cultural resource identification activities (i.e. all the steps needed to survey cultural resources in the field and record resulting data onto inventory forms) are fundamental to historic preservation decision-making processes. Essentially, identification, or "survey" is undertaken for the purpose of locating and compiling information about cultural resources within a defined geographic area. Survey work is comprised of a number of activities, including, but not limited to, research design, archival research, informant interviews, field survey, and analysis.

Though straightforward in concept, implementation of survey and inventory work can rapidly become a complex process as the project scope increases in size. Logistics need to be planned out well in advance; complicating issues need to be anticipated; and seemingly petty details must be addressed in order to successfully gather data and satisfactorily complete inventory records.

To assist historic preservation practitioners, the NPS (as the federal government's chief steward of the nation's heritage) has articulated four principles that form a theoretical basis for the design and implementation of survey projects. These four principles with supporting narrative, are as follows:

# <u>Principle 1</u>: Identification and Survey of Historic Properties are Undertaken to the Degree Required to Make Specific Decisions

Archival research and on-site inspection activities should be designed to gather the information necessary to achieve defined identification goals. The objectives, chosen methods, techniques, and expected results are specified in a research design. These activities may include archival research and other techniques to develop historic contexts, sampling an area to gain a broad understanding of the kinds of properties it contains, or examining every property in an area as a basis for property specific decisions. Where possible, use of quantitative methods is important because it can produce an estimate, whose reliability may be assessed, of the kinds of properties that may be present in the studied area. Identification activities should use a search procedure consistent with the management needs for information and the character of the area to be investigated. Careful selection of methods, techniques, and level of detail is necessary so the gathered information will provide a sound basis for making decisions.

## <u>Principle 2</u>: Results of Identification Activities are Integrated Into the Planning Process

Results of cultural resource inventories are reviewed for their contribution to existing planning data. Archival research or field data may refine the understanding of one or more historic contexts or property types. Incorporation of the identification activities into the planning process is necessary to ensure that the project planning efforts are based on the best available information.

# <u>Principle 3</u>. Identification Activities Include Explicit Procedures for Record Keeping and Information Distribution

Information gathered in identification is only useful in other preservation planning activities and scientific studies when it is systematically gathered and recorded, made available to those responsible for planning and scientific research, and communicated to the interested public, and to OAHP.

The results of identification activities should be reported in a format that summarizes the design and methods of the identification activities, provides a basis for others to review the results, and states where information on identified properties is maintained. Sensitive information, like the location of archaeological sites and traditional cultural properties, must be safeguarded consistent with public disclosure requirements.

# <u>Principle 4</u>: Survey Activity Entails Effective Consultation with Concerned Tribes, Local Governments, Interested Public, Professional Community and Other Governmental Agencies

Cultural resource inventory and research requires effective communication and consultation with concerned Native American Tribes, local governments, historical organizations, and state and federal agencies that have review responsibility. All identification activities should be coordinated with concerned entities to assure that their concerns and data are incorporated into the cultural resource report and environmental process.

In essence, the guidelines contained within this publication are intended to translate the four identification principles as set forth above into specific technical guidance. Keep in mind that OAHP has tailored this guidance to meet the special considerations and practices of the Washington State Inventory of Cultural Resources and its associated databases.

### A Word About Nomenclature

With background information of cultural resource identification principles, it is now useful to set some ground rules about historic preservation nomenclature used in this document. Like other highly specialized and technical fields of expertise, historic preservation has evolved its own formal and informal glossary of terms, jargon, acronyms, and word usage that is peculiar unto itself. For example, the word "restoration" takes on a very definite intent when used by preservationists that is much narrower and more technical than would be encountered in common usage. While useful for communication amongst professionals, these fine distinctions in word usage in historic preservation

conversations also may cause confusion amongst persons outside (and sometimes even for persons within) the historic preservation community.

Therefore, a brief discussion is offered here to provide explanation about how various terms found in these guidelines are used and intended. It is our intention that usage of terms in this document, though perhaps not universally agreed upon, offers at least consistency internal to the document and practice at OAHP.

First and probably most important is to explain our use of the term **cultural resources**. In some circles, "cultural resources" is used to refer to a limited group of artifacts associated with archaeological sites, typically though not necessarily, associated with Native American use and habitation. For OAHP and in these guidelines, "cultural resources" is used to refer to a much broader range of resources associated with human manipulation of the environment. Hence, the Washington State Inventory of Cultural Resources is a database that encompasses *all* the resources that are potentially eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places, that being: sites, buildings, structures, districts, and objects. Therefore, in these guidelines, "cultural resources" implies a wide range of property types, such as: an archaeological site dating back hundreds of years, a train station built in 1913, an irrigation ditch from the early 1900s, a residential historic district, a World War II aircraft on the floor of Lake Washington, and everything in between.

Another important term to discuss is "historic properties." Confusion arises with this term since the word "historic" is often thought of as representing cultural resources (especially buildings and structures) that date after European American contact with Native American peoples, or by around 1790 in what is now Washington state. For the purposes of this document and informal usage, OAHP follows this interpretation and use of the term "historic properties." As a result, existing elements of the built environment that include buildings, structures, sites, districts, and objects dating from the contact era will be referred to as "historic properties" and the Historic Property Inventory Database is used to document these resources.

Confusion over use of the term "historic property" derives from formal NPS definition and usage. In essence, NPS usage refers *only* to cultural resources that have been listed in, or determined to be eligible for listing in, the National Register of Historic Places. Therefore, from the NPS perspective, significant archaeological sites and traditional cultural places dating prior to contact are considered to be "historic properties" and join with other properties of the built environment that were constructed as recently as 50 years ago. As a result it is important to keep in mind the distinction between common/OAHP usage of the term "historic property" and NPS usage, especially when formally evaluating eligibility of properties for the National Register.

Adding to the confusion over usage of the term "historic property" is the fact that it is often interchanged with similar terms such as "historic resource," "historic place," or "historic site." In this document, our use of terms that include the word "historic" can be interpreted to refer to the same property types representing buildings, structures, sites, districts, or objects (in essence, the built environment) that date from the contact era of the late 18<sup>th</sup> century. Typically, this would include standing buildings, structures, and districts. However, it should be kept in mind that a historic "resource," "place" or "site" could also include archaeological sites dating from after the 1790s. Just two examples include places such as the Yama-Nagaya site on Bainbridge Island, location of an early 20<sup>th</sup> century Japanese American community, or the Chambers Prairie site in Thurston County, site of a 19<sup>th</sup> century farmstead and blockhouse.

Finally, it may also be useful to touch upon the distinction between the words "survey" and "inventory." These two words are sometimes confused since they are often used interchangeably. In these guidelines and in daily application at OAHP, the word "survey" is used as a verb that encompasses the act of identifying and recording cultural resources. The "inventory" is a noun representing the product of survey activities. This product encompasses the actual property record and related items (maps, photos, etc.) that comprise all information about surveyed resources. Therefore, while often used synonymously, in actual application the words "survey" and "inventory" have distinct meanings.

In summary, this portion of the Survey and Inventory Guidelines is intended to provide the reader with some clarification about how various terms are used in this document and, by extension, at the OAHP. If any confusion remains, contact should be made with OAHP staff.

### **Before Starting Fieldwork**

Now that we have established a theoretical foundation plus some grounding in terminology, it would seem that it is time to begin fieldwork. Not quite. Before hitting the road, it is wise for survey project personnel to do some planning that will help make actual fieldwork go smoother. Recommended tasks include the following:

### 1) Develop a Research Design

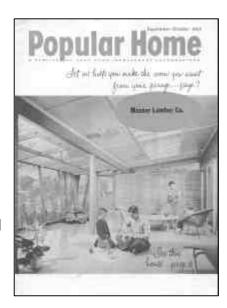
Before field-work is performed, a statement of objectives, or research design, should be drafted. The research design provides a mechanism for integrating the identification activities and links those activities to the defined goals of the survey. All surveys, whether to identify archaeological or historic resources, regardless of size, should have a research design.

The research design should include the following:

- A. Defined objectives about the identification activities. The statement of objectives should refer to current knowledge about the historic contexts or property types in the area based upon background research. It should clearly define the physical extent of the area to be investigated, how the area of potential effect (APE) will be established, and the types of historical information to be reviewed.
- B. Methods to be used to obtain data. Archival and field survey methods should be carefully explained so that survey report readers can understand how the information was obtained. Particular attention should be devoted to establishing the linkage between the statement of objectives and the selection of methods.
- C. An articulated statement about the expected results and the reasons for those expectations. Expectations about the kind, number, location, character, and condition of cultural resources are derived from background research, proposed or tested models of either pre-contact or historic land use and settlement, or analogy to property types known to exist in areas of similar environment or history.

### 2) Conduct Archival Research

Archival or background research is generally undertaken prior to any field inspection. Archival research should address specific issues and topics relevant to the geographical area under investigation. It should not duplicate previous work. Sources should include, but are not limited to, historic maps, tax records, photographs, GIS layers, previous historic and archaeological research, ethnographies, review of databases and records maintained by local, state and federal agencies, and consultation with knowledgeable experts, concerned tribes, and the interested public as appropriate for the research design and area under study.



### 3) Identify Public Involvement

All historic preservation professionals know that public involvement can be an important (though sometimes complex) element of a cultural resource survey project. Indeed, for agency reviews of land use actions triggered by Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), the federal regulations guiding "106" consultation requires that public involvement be addressed as part of the consultation process. Though required under Section 106 and other public review procedures, public input should be pursued regardless of actual requirements. Conversations with property owners, tribal representatives, public officials and a

host of other stakeholders will enrich the survey process, provide meaningful information, and strengthen data analysis and report recommendations. Therefore, as part of the research design and goal development stage, project managers and survey personnel should identify the extent and format of public involvement. Survey timelines and budgets should then be adjusted accordingly.

### 4) Plan the Field Survey Process

Numerous techniques combined with varying levels of applied effort give great flexibility to implementing field surveys. It is important that the selection of particular field techniques and level of effort be responsive to the identification goals, research design, and management needs that direct the survey.

When conducting a field survey of archaeological sites, particular attention should be given to assessing the value of employing geophysical techniques and geo-morphological analysis. These techniques may serve to assist in archaeological site identification and to aid in the nondestructive examination of subsurface deposits.

Whether for archaeological or historic property survey projects, field survey work should document:

- A. The survey boundaries or "Area of Potential Effect" (APE) for survey projects undertaken in fulfillment of Section 106 consultation.
- B. How the survey boundary (or APE) was determined.
- C. The kinds of properties within survey boundaries or the APE.
- D. For archaeological property survey work, be sure to document field methods including number and spacing of transects and subsurface examination procedures. Please note it is critical that field methods be documented in order for OAHP to digitally map a surveyed area. OAHP needs to know the types of field methods used for each part of the surveyed area (See Figure 2 for an example of proper survey area documentation).
- E. The precise location of identified properties by providing UTM data.
- F. Description of identified properties.
- G. Information on the integrity, significance and boundary of each property, if possible to obtain during the survey.

### 5) Establish the APE

For survey efforts that are in fulfillment of Section 106 consultation or for compliance with other environmental review procedures, the project planning must include delineation of the area of potential effect (APE). In Section 106 consultation, identification of the APE is a required step and serves, in essence, as the survey boundary. Although for small projects such as the weatherization of a residence, the APE is usually straightforward and would typically be comprised

of the parcel boundary. However, for larger more complex projects, the APE must be drawn to include all areas that have any *potential* to be affected by project planning, construction, and operation. The APE could conceivably include (but not be limited to) areas such as construction "lay-down" zones, stormwater retention facilities, borrow pits, viewsheds, shorelines, submerged landforms, and all areas that could be impacted by ground disturbance including vibrations. Contact project personnel at the responsible federal agency for further guidance or questions about defining the APE.

### 6) Evaluate which Inventory Form to Use

Cultural resource survey project personnel typically record data using either an Archaeology Site Inventory Form or the Historic Property Inventory Database. Samples of both forms plus the less frequently used Archaeology Isolate Inventory Form can be found in the Appendices. Keep in mind that in general, OAHP considers archaeological resources to be cultural resources found beneath the ground surface, such as lithic scatters, shell middens, village sites, and building foundations. Archaeology Site Inventory Forms are to be completed in order to document these kinds of resources. The Archaeological Survey Report Guidelines (found on page 23) should be followed when reporting on related sites.



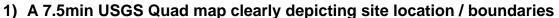
Similarly, for survey projects that focus on documenting buildings, structures, districts and property types comprising the existing built environment, data should be recorded in the Historic Property Inventory Database, an electronic Microsoft Access database. This electronic database has been designed specifically to standardize the data collection process across the state. More importantly, OAHP developed the Historic Property Inventory Database to facilitate the transfer of data into OAHP's Geographic Information System (GIS) format and to streamline record storage and retrieval. As with archaeological site surveys, historic property surveyors should be familiar with and use the Historic Properties Survey Report Guidelines as found on page 14.

Surveyors often come across situations where it is unclear about which inventory form to use. Some property types could justifiably be considered an archaeological resource as well as an historic resource. Examples of such situations include ruins of mining camps or abandoned irrigation structures. In these instances, the Site Type Tables (found on page 17) should first be consulted. If still unclear, contact OAHP staff for specific instruction.

### PREPARING THE ARCHAEOLOGY SITE INVENTORY FORM

Archaeological site numbers, termed Smithsonian Trinomials, are assigned to archaeological resources submitted on completed **Washington State**Archaeology Site or Isolate Inventory Forms (see appendix A). OAHP Site and Isolate forms are available online at <a href="http://www.oahp.wa.gov">http://www.oahp.wa.gov</a>. The form must be completed, reviewed or approved by an individual meeting the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Historic Preservation as being a professional archaeologist.

To submit an Archaeology Site or Isolate Inventory Form for Smithsonian Trinomial assignment, all information categories must be completed. When updating a Site or Isolate Inventory form please use a Washington State Archaeology Site or Isolate Inventory Form and document any changes under the appropriate fields. Be sure to include a map illustrating current site boundaries. Please check your form to assure the following information is included with your submission:



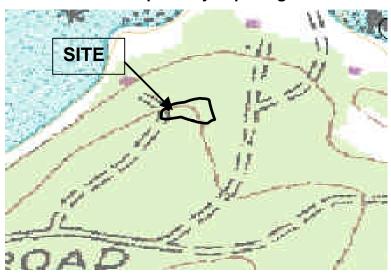


Figure 1. USGS Quad Map showing location of site with boundaries.

### 2) UTM Coordinates (Northing/ Easting)

- Define the site area (point, polygon, line) by a single coordinate / list of coordinates.
- Indicate the UTM Zone and Datum used (E.g. UTM, Zone 10, NAD27 meters)

- 3) Legal Description including Quarter Quarter Sections (E.g. T09R04E S21 located in the NW ¼, of the NW ¼, of the SE ¼)
- 4) Site Area (Length x Width in square meters)
- 5) Site Description
  - Define the Site Type (pre-contact or historic archaeology)

For a specific listing of archaeological and historic site types and how they are classified according to OAHP number as well as which inventory forms to use, please refer to the Site Type Table (page 17).

- 6) Dates
  - Including the date recorded and approximate age of the resource

When inventory forms are submitted for historic archaeological resources, only those sites that meet the minimum National Register (36CFR60) age threshold (50 years of age or older) will be retained as historic archaeological records and assigned Smithsonian Trinomials by OAHP. If you feel you have an important archaeological site from the recent past that you would like to inventory, please contact OAHP before proceeding.

Please note that OAHP will return to the author or project manager, forms not submitted on the Washington State Archaeology Site Inventory Form, Isolate Inventory Form, or a National Register of Historic Places nomination form unless prior approval has been obtained from OAHP for the use of an alternate format. Incomplete forms lacking required information such as, location details, maps, photographs, boundary definition, cultural context, and



property ownership will be returned for completion of all data fields.

Forms will also be returned if they are not completed, reviewed and/or approved by a professional meeting the Secretary of the Interior's Standards (36 CFR 61 Appendix A) for the relevant discipline, or if the forms contain erroneous or false information.

### PREPARING HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY FORMS

Inventory forms for historic properties must be submitted to OAHP in an electronic format (see Database User Manual, Chapter 8 "Exporting Files") using the Historic Property Inventory Database (a Microsoft Access application). Submittal in this format is the expected practice unless prior approval has been obtained from OAHP for the use of an alternate inventory form. The database is available to download free of charge from the OAHP website at <a href="www.oahp.wa.gov">www.oahp.wa.gov</a> or by contacting the Survey and Inventory Program Manager, Megan Duvall, at <a href="megand@cted.wa.gov">megand@cted.wa.gov</a> or (360) 586-3074. For registration and specific details about how to complete the Statewide Historic Property Inventory Database visit <a href="http://www.oahp.wa.gov/invent.htm">http://www.oahp.wa.gov/invent.htm</a>.

The extent to which the inventory database is completed will depend upon whether the survey effort will result in detailed documentation of each site, or a "quick and dirty" look to gain a general understanding of the architectural and historical development of a given area. These two distinct levels of survey effort are classified as either *intensive* or *reconnaissance*. Both types have a place, depending on the amount of information to be collected, the time and budget available, and the geographic dispersion of the resources.

**Reconnaissance** surveys (also called windshield surveys) are visual or predictive surveys that identify the general distribution, location and nature of historic resources within a given area. A reconnaissance survey of the built environment generally entails the field identification of resources that appear to meet broad survey requirements. Documentation at this level rarely exceeds property address, observational information on architectural style and features, and photographic information. However, it may be possible to discern if the property appears to be a unique resource based on the observations of the overall survey area. If so, this information should be recorded in the "Statement of Significance" section of the database. Reconnaissance surveys are often conducted to establish the boundaries for intensive surveys to follow.

Reconnaissance surveys literally consist of driving around a community and noting the general distribution of buildings, structures, and neighborhoods representing different architectural styles, periods and modes of construction. Reconnaissance level survey forms must still be completed on the electronic OAHP Historic Property Inventory Database. Because reconnaissance surveys record only observable information, they may not provide sufficient information with which to make determinations of eligibility beyond architectural significance.

A reconnaissance level survey **should** include the following:

All of the location information including UTMs for each property inventoried

- Surveyor and survey name, but not necessarily the owner information for the property (current and historic)
- The "Resource Status" should at least include "survey/inventory", but if the National, State or Local Register information is not known, that need not be researched
- The current use of the building should be noted since it is observable from the street, although historic use does not necessarily need to be researched
- All observable architectural information should be completed within the database
- The "Description of Physical Appearance" section on the Narrative must be completed
- A concise "Statement of Significance" based on the knowledge of the surveyor (usually related to the architecture of the building) must be completed
- A Determination of Eligibility (based solely on the architectural qualities of the structure)
- A best guess date of construction
- Digital image(s) of the resource

A reconnaissance level survey **does not need** to include the following:

- National, State or Local Register status
- Ownership information either historic or current
- The historic use of the property
- The historic or common name of the property (unless its discernable from the street)
- The Study Unit Theme
- The architect/engineer/builder
- An in-depth "Statement of Significance"
- A bibliography (unless sources were consulted by the surveyor)

Intensive level survey and evaluation combines a reconnaissance survey with an evaluation by a trained professional. Intensive survey involves in-depth archival research and field-work to record properties in the survey area. For all types of intensive survey and evaluation projects, the objective is to gather sufficient information to recommend proposed significance or non-significance of the investigated properties and develop historic contexts in terms of National Register of Historic Places listing. An intensive level survey should include the completion of all of the fields on the database and would consist of research on the property beyond what can be noted from the street.

An intensive level survey **should** include all of the information required for a reconnaissance level survey **plus** the following:

- An accurate date of construction based on research
- Historic images if found
- The name of the architect or builder

- A bibliography
- A determination of National Register eligibility by a trained professional
- The historic use of the property
- Ownership information
- Historic or common name of the property
- The Study Unit Theme
- And a thorough, in-depth statement of significance section based on the history of the resource, its context, integrity and eligibility for the National Register of Historic Places

Based upon the above discussion, the surveyor should consider as a general rule that a historic property inventory form includes all relevant location information, including UTM references, a physical description of the property and a statement of significance, which is specific to the resource that is being inventoried. The form must also include at least one black and white or color digital photograph.



It is important to keep in mind that a *complete* historic property inventory form is understood to mean that all information pertinent to the surveyed property is accurate and all applicable data fields are entered. A description of the expected information for each data field can be found in the **Historic Property Inventory Database User Manual**. The Manual can be downloaded from OAHP's website or obtained by contacting staff.

The question of whether or not individual maps are required for each inventoried property has arisen. At this time, OAHP is not requiring a hard copy map if only a single inventory form is produced. Some consultants have elected to scan a map with the property's location marked and then link the map to the database record as you would a photograph. This is acceptable and encouraged, but not required. However, if the form is accompanied by a survey report, an overall map(s) of the surveyed area must reside with the survey report itself and need not be individually created for each inventoried site as long as the survey report is cited on each associated inventoried site form.

As with the Archaeology Site Inventory Form, OAHP has adopted a policy that Historic Property Inventory Database submittals will be returned to the author or project manager on the basis of false, misleading, inaccurate or incomplete information.

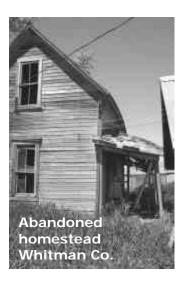
### SITE TYPE TABLES

SITE TYPES

Three types of inventory forms are used to document cultural resources in the state of Washington. Archaeological site types are recorded onto OAHP's Archaeology Site and Isolate Inventory Forms while components of the built environment (i.e. buildings and structures) are submitted into the Historic Property Inventory Database. The following table has been generated to provide guidance when it is not entirely clear which inventory form should be used to record data. Below is a list of property types that may be encountered in the field. If questions arise, contact OAHP staff for further guidance.

Remember that a single site may have multiple components - both historic and archaeological, or historic and historic archaeological, etc. More than one site type may be used for a single site. Please select <u>all</u> types that may apply and record each feature on the appropriate inventory form.

Historic features in ruin (collapsed structures, foundations, etc.) that are older than 50 years are considered historic archaeological sites and must be recorded on the Archaeology Site Inventory Form. If the resource in ruin is less than 50 years old, it should not be recorded at all unless it possesses exceptional significance.



**INVENTORY FORM** 

		Archaeology – Archaeology Site (two or more artifacts) or Isolate (single artifact) Inventory Form
		Historic – Historic Property Inventory Form
Pre contact camp	Short term occupation site	Archaeology
Pre contact village	Describes larger sites or cluster of dwellings/ house pits	Archaeology
Pre contact house pit/ depression		Archaeology
Pre contact trail		Archaeology
Pre contact burial	Buried/ eroding human remains	Archaeology

**DESCRIPTION** 

Pre contact cairn	Rock pile, cache or suspected burial	Archaeology
<u>Historic cairn/rock</u> <u>feature</u>	Rock pile alignment or wall	Archaeology
Pre contact shell midden	Matrix of shell/ bone/ FCR/ lithics	Archaeology
Pre contact fishing station	Including weirs	Archaeology
Pre contact lithic material	Lithic scatter/ quarry/ misc. tool/ debitage	Archaeology/ Isolate
Pre contact isolate	Single artifact- flake, knife, point, pestle, canoe anchor, net sinker, etc.	Isolate
Pre contact rock alignment	Walls, circles, figures and misc rock features	Archaeology
Pre contact talus pit	Hunting blinds, storage pits, cache, depressions	Archaeology
Pre contact feature	Post molds, hearth, oven, fire cracked rock concentration	Archaeology
Pre contact cave site	Greater depth than width	Archaeology
Pre contact rock shelter	Shallow overhang/ coverage, greater width than depth	Archaeology
Traditional cultural property	Traditional cultural property or place	Archaeology
Historic and pre contact components	Site contains both pre contact and historic archaeological materials	Archaeology
Pre contact petroglyph	Pre contact carvings	Archaeology
Historic petroglyph	Historic period graffiti/ carvings	Archaeology
Pre contact pictograph	Pre contact paintings	Archaeology
Historic pictograph	Historic period graffiti/ paintings	Archaeology

Pre contact culturally Pre contact carvings Archaeology modified tree Historic culturally Historic period graffiti or carvings, Archaeology modified tree surveyor's marks, signs Submerged other Pre contact or historic feature (if Archaeology/ Isolate greater than 50 years old) located in draw down zone **Historic maritime** Schooners, tugboats, Historic/ sternwheelers, etc. properties Archaeology (if in ruin) **Historic homestead** (inventory the entire homestead as one Historic/ site and if necessary, record each Archaeology archaeological feature and historic (if in ruin) property as a separate component) Historic agriculture Designed landscape (shelter Historic/ belts, orchards) ranch/ farm Archaeology features (stock pens, corrals, (if in ruin) fences, canal or irrigation features) Historic railroad Segments (intact or missing one Archaeology properties or more components), campsites, berms, trestles, material dumps and associated structural ruins (if greater than 50 years old) Intact/ complete tracks, cars, Historic standing shelters and stations **Historic mining** Collapsed mine portals, Archaeology properties campsites, tailings Open mines, shafts, portals Historic <u>Historic logging</u> Segmented/ structural ruins (mills, Archaeology properties flumes, chutes and railroad) logging camps, holdings (if greater than 50 years old)

Free standing/ intact structures Historic (mills, flumes, chutes and railroad) Historic cemetery/ burial Lacking headstones/grave Archaeology markers/ in ruin Headstones standing Historic **Historic bridges** Structural ruins (pilings, abutment, Archaeology footings) (if greater than 50 years old) Free standing/ intact bridges and Historic foot bridges (along a trail) **Historic road** Segments, abandoned roadbeds, Archaeology puncheon, corduroy and wagon roads (if greater than 50 years old) Intact/ functioning roads Historic **Historic object(s)** Wagon frames, car parts, Archaeology/ Isolate machinery (farm equipment), etc. (major/ large object or objects) (if greater than 50 years old) Historic Historic markers, monuments Historic debris scatter/ Refuse scatter, can scatter, refuse Archaeology concentration deposits, land fill, debris pit (if greater than 50 years old) (any size) (if greater than 50 years old) Submerged shipwreck Archaeology (if greater than 50 years old) Submerged aircraft Archaeology ΑII Archaeology Historic trail **Historic townsite** Site of former town with no extant Archaeology buildings One item- single can, bottle, etc. Isolate Historic isolate

(if greater than 50 years old)

Historic residential structure	Includes homes, cellars, garages, sheds, privies	Historic/ Archaeology (if in ruin)
Historic structure unknown	Function unknown, foundation, etc.	Archaeology
<u>Historic cabin</u>	Forest service cabins, summer homes, recreational	Historic/ Archaeology (if in ruin)
Historic commercial properties	Hotels, motels, gas stations, stores, blacksmith shops, museums, town halls, etc.	Historic
Historic schools	Includes educational buildings	Historic
Historic libraries		Historic
Historic theatres		Historic
<u>Historic lookouts</u>		Historic
Historic fire stations		Historic
<u>Historic forts</u>		Historic
Historic depression era properties	Including CCC, WPA i.e. PWA structures	Historic
Historic military properties		Historic
Historic federal properties	Includes parks, post offices, USFS admin properties, border stations/ crossings, courthouses, etc.	Historic
Historic religious properties	Churches, parsonages & rectories	Historic
Historic hydroelectric	Dams and associated features	Historic Archaeology (if in ruin)



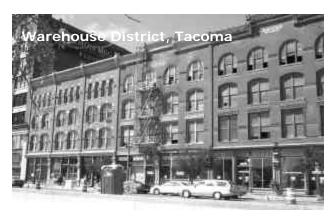




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### SURVEY PROJECT REPORTING – GENERAL GUIDELINES

Results of survey activities plus data analysis and recommendations are essential elements of any survey report. When appropriate, survey results and recommendations should be placed in the larger context of community-wide planning goals and development trends. The author of the survey report is responsible for assuring that the report is succinct, adheres to OAHP guidelines, conveys all necessary information, and responds to client needs.



The surveyor and/or report author should also be judicious in tailoring the length and content of the survey report to be commensurate with the scale of the project. For example, a survey project covering a single resource or small survey area does not necessarily need pages describing methodologies, historic contexts, research designs, analysis, and future planning

implications when the project is straightforward and limited in scope and impact. Much of this information can likely be addressed in a few paragraphs. In contrast, survey projects covering large areas, documenting diverse property types, and affecting complex issues will obviously need a matching level of detail.

### **Combining Survey Project Reports**

For projects where both archaeological and historic properties are reported, <u>only one survey report</u> is preferred and should be sufficient toward addressing the entire project and documenting all property types. A quick glance at the reporting guidelines (in following sections) reveals that the report outline for archaeological properties is similar to that for historic property survey reports. However, there are important differences. For example, the archaeological property survey report focuses on site-specific questions and documentation of ground probing methodology. In contrast, historic property survey reports include placing the survey project within larger community-wide planning and development trends.

So, the question arises: When writing one report for both kinds of resources, which outline should the author follow? A short answer is to tailor the report to address all the appropriate issues for both kinds of resources and combine reporting where appropriate. In all situations, be sure to cover introductory items such as a project abstract, location, and survey area. Also touch upon research design, methodologies, existing information, expectations, and identification/description of appropriate historic contexts.

### ARCHAEOLOGY SITE SURVEY REPORT GUIDELINES

The outline presented below indicates the organizational format of a professional archaeological resource survey report. It contains the information needed by governmental agencies, OAHP staff, property owners, planners, and interested parties to make informed decisions. If a report submitted to OAHP lacks this type of documentation, OAHP reviewers reserve the right to return the report to the author or lead agency for additional work. However, OAHP realizes that the size of the undertaking is related to the detail required in a report. As such, smaller undertakings may not require the level of detail and analyses as outlined below. In all cases, survey reports submitted to OAHP should be unbound and unstapled. Fasten only with clips or rubber bands. Also note that an electronic copy of the report including the cover sheet, in pdf format is desirable.

### I. Cultural Resources Survey Cover Sheet and Title Page

See the format and content of the Cultural Resources Survey Cover Sheet in Appendix A to these guidelines. This cover sheet <u>must</u> be completed and attached to all survey project reports. Field site number(s) are to be listed. Be sure to enter the total number of acres surveyed during the project. You can download an electronic version of the cover sheet on our website at: www.oahp.wa.gov.

### A. Title Page

- 1. Report Title
- 2. Principal Investigator, author and organization
- 3. Date
- 4. Contracting Sponsor, permit number, contract number
- 5. Federal or State lead governmental agency

### II. Introduction

- A. Executive Summary or Abstract
- B. Credits and Acknowledgements
- C. Table of Contents
- D. List of Figures and Tables
- E. Project Background
  - 1. Report the location and size (in acres) of the survey area.
  - 2. Identify the project proponent, property owner, agency, or compliance action that the survey project is addressing.
  - 3. Acknowledge survey personnel. Indicate project personnel meeting Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualifications Standards, and what tasks these persons

- performed during the project. (See http://www2.cr.nps.gov/laws/ProfQual83.htm for the professional standards).
- 4. Acknowledge other individuals and/or organizations involved in initiating the survey process.
- 5. If applicable, describe noteworthy circumstances or chain of events that occurred to instigate the survey.
- 6. If applicable, indicate where copies of the inventory forms and report are located (for example: OAHP, university, library, planning agency, etc.).
- 7. Provide a portion of a USGS 7.5 minute quad map indicating Township/ Range/ Section number and U.S.G.S. quadrangle name highlighting the APE and outlining the surveyed boundaries. In order for OAHP to digitally create a shapefile for GIS, OAHP needs to recapture the exact surveyed area (see figure 2).

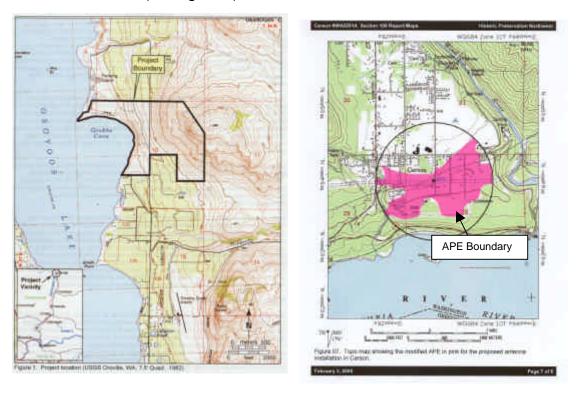


Figure 2. Examples of project survey areas indicating APEs.

### III. Environmental & Cultural Setting

- A. Summary of the environmental setting with an emphasis on vegetation, geomorphic factors and formation processes, past and present available natural resources.
- B. Summary of the cultural history of the region in which the project area is located.

### IV. Literature Review/Context Statement

### A. Existing Data and Background Data

- Current knowledge about historic context and property types in APE and surrounding area based upon a review of existing research, ethnographic data, historic records, consultation with Native American Tribes, interested parties, local historic societies and preservation officials, OAHP, state and federal agencies with technical information.
- 2. Historic Context Statement

### V. Research Design

### A. Objectives

- 1. Summary of the environmental setting with an emphasis on vegetation, geomorphic, and human factors that would affect the recognition and preservation of historic properties.
- 2. Expectations based upon the literature review, historic contexts and environmental data. Expectations of property types, location and structures in the APE.

### B. Field Methodology

1. Describe the inventory methods used. Discuss by archaeological, standing structures, Traditional Cultural Properties, etc. categories.

### **VI. Inventory Results**

- A. Detail the date(s) of the inventory noting the field and weather conditions.
- B. List personnel conducting the inventory.
- C. Summarize actual methodology (noting variations from research design).
- D. Quantify and describe the number of shovel tests, cores etc. for subsurface probing.
- E. Provide location of original field data and artifacts, if collected.
- F. Describe types of artifacts and/or other cultural materials identified.

G. Provide a map of the inventory area illustrating the location of all transects, subsurface tests, structures, features and other pertinent information as depicted on Figure 3. The map should display all field methods including transect patterns; positive vs. negative shovel probes, auger points, etc.

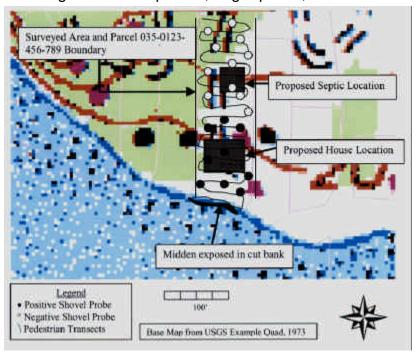


Figure 3: Typical Map showing survey area, location of shovel probes, and locations of proposed features on the landscape.

### VII. Analyses

- A. Provide an analysis of cultural material and historic properties, and archaeological sites identified as part of the inventory. Provide a description, drawings of photographs of the materials and properties.
- B. Discuss the integrity of each property and evaluate each for the National Register of Historic Places and/or the Washington Heritage Register. Solid justifications should be made for both eligible and ineligible determinations.

### VIII. Conclusions and Recommendations

### A. Conclusions

- 1. Detail research conclusions based on proposed expectations in research design.
- 2. If no properties were located identify probable explanation for a no properties finding.

### B. Recommendations

- Provide recommendations for future work, property management, and avoidance or mitigation options based on the nature of the undertaking or the significance of the property.
- 2. If monitoring is recommended, detail and map the area to be monitored, why monitoring is necessary, what techniques should be employed to monitor, what resources could be encountered, and protocols in the event of a discovery.

### IX. Bibliography

- A. Provide a full citation of all published sources including author, title, place, publisher, and date following the *American Antiquity* Style Guide.
- B. Indicate all unpublished sources including names and location.
- C. Names and addresses of local informants plus names and dates of oral interviews.

### X. Consultation

- A. Provide evidence of consultation with concerned Native American tribes.
- B. Provide evidence of consultation with SHPO.
- C. Provide evidence of consultation with the local preservation officer.
- D. Provide evidence of consultation with other governmental agencies.
- E. Provide copy of ARPA permit if on federal land.
- F. Provide copy of OAHP excavation permit, if applicable.
- G. Approval of report by the federal agency (the federal agency should formally submit the report).

### XI. Appendices

- A. Location of original field data
- B. Site inventory forms
- C. Informants
- D. Location of Artifacts (if applicable)

### HISTORIC PROPERTY SURVEY REPORT GUIDELINES

The outline presented below indicates the organizational format of a professional inventory report documenting historic resources, herein defined as cultural resource property types represented in the realm of the existing built environment. This report contains information needed by public agencies, OAHP staff, property owners, planners and interested parties to make informed decisions about historic resource management. If the report does not address the elements described below, OAHP reserves the right to return the report to the author or lead agency for additional work. However, OAHP realizes that the size of the survey project is related to the detail required in a report. Smaller survey projects may not require the level of detail and analyses proposed below. In all cases, reports submitted to OAHP should be <u>unbound</u> and <u>unstapled</u>. Fasten only with clips or rubber bands. An electronic copy of the report including the cover sheet, in pdf format is desirable.

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- 3. Acknowledge survey personnel. Indicate project personnel meeting Secretary of the Interior's Professional
- 4. Qualifications Standards, and what tasks these persons performed during the project. (See http://www2.cr.nps.gov/laws/ProfQual83.htm for the professional standards).
- 5. Acknowledge other individuals and/or organizations involved in initiating the survey process.
- 6. If applicable, describe noteworthy circumstances or chain of events that occurred to instigate the survey.
- 7. If applicable, indicate where copies of the inventory forms and report are located (for example: OAHP, university, library, planning agency, etc.).

### III. Research Design

### A. Objectives

- 1. Relate the objectives of the survey project and how resulting data will be put to use.
- When appropriate, survey project objectives should reference and relate to goals and objectives of the State Historic Preservation Plan. The plan may be downloaded from the OAHP website or obtained by contacting the Office.

### B. Survey Methodology

- 1. Describe and assess archival research materials available including both primary and secondary sources.
- 2. Describe the specific survey method used.
- 3. Describe the field techniques used.
- 4. Identify maps used in the survey process.
- 5. Describe the extent of public participation and project publicity such as public meetings, media coverage, etc.

### C. Expectations

 Discuss expected results from the survey. Expectations should be related in terms of the number, type, and distribution of cultural resources.

### D. Delineate Area Surveyed

1. Describe the geographic/jurisdictional/thematic/temporal boundaries of the survey project.

- 2. Include a map(s) of the survey area or APE with all surveyed properties clearly marked (see Figure 2).
- 3. If related to a public agency action, be sure to identify and explain.
- 4. Describe how the APE was established (if an undertaking has numerous alternatives please relate each APE to each alternative)
- 5. Summarize earlier survey efforts in the vicinity of the survey area noting a sample of properties already listed in national/state/local registers of historic places.

### E. Integration with Planning Processes

When and where appropriate, describe how results or information derived from the survey will be incorporated into appropriate planning processes (for example: OAHP historic preservation planning, local comprehensive planning, federal/state agency planning, property management planning, project planning).

### IV. Historical Overview

### A. Historical Development

- Describe the natural setting. Include natural resources that impacted upon the historical development of the community. Examples include rivers, harbors, fords, passes, minerals, timber, etc.
- Provide a brief description of local history and pre-history including a summary of Native American habitation and/or use.
- 3. Relate important events and persons that have shaped the course of community development. When appropriate, mention or list architects, engineers, builders, craftsmen, or other designers who had an impact on the community.
- 4. Address past economic trends and the resulting fluctuations in population and impacts upon cultural resources.
- Mention important sites or structures that played pivotal roles in community life such as public buildings, parks, industrial sites, etc.
- 6. Discuss how transportation routes affected past and present settlement and land use patterns.
- 7. Be sure not to overlook key 20<sup>th</sup> century events. Discussion would likely include building booms, the Depression, impact of wars, post-war growth, etc.
- 8. Analysis

### B. Survey Results

- 1. Summarize the survey experience by conveying general impressions of the community's cultural resources.
- Identify noteworthy properties documented as a result of the survey. Reference or include location maps of these properties in the report.
- 3. Describe the extent to which the survey findings adhere to, or diverge from, initial expectations.

### C. Development Trends

- In broad terms, describe emerging local development trends including population growth or decline and planning efforts designed to address related issues.
- Discuss perceived and/or real threats to historic properties. Examples include development; deterioration, alteration or vandalism of historic properties; economic fluctuations; zoning; threats from natural causes; or any other events or circumstances which could have a future impact upon the community's cultural resources.
- 3. Discussion on development trends may reference major threats or events in the past such as urban renewal, fires, earthquakes, etc.

### V. Report Recommendations

### A. Preservation Planning Issues

- 1. Address the need for future survey work.
- 2. Note the presence of potential National Register and State Register eligible properties or districts.
- 3. Comment on the status of local historic preservation activity manifested through various interest groups, a downtown revitalization program, historic preservation commission, etc.
- Comment upon how results of the survey relate to or impact upon the state's historic preservation planning goals and objectives.
- 5. Comment on how results of the survey relate to or impact upon local planning goals and objectives.
- Discuss or list any research questions that surfaced during the survey process. This should include topics that would help in understanding or evaluating historic properties in the community.

### B. Community Historic Preservation Concerns

- 1. Comment on the opportunity for public education and awareness efforts.
- 2. Assess local comprehensive planning and how it addresses cultural resource protection.
- 3. Suggest ways in which historic preservation goals may affect, and/or be affected by, other local planning goals, objectives, procedures, regulations, etc.
- 4. Feel free to raise other issues that should be addressed in light of the survey experience.

### VI. Appendices

### A. Bibliography

- 1. Provide a full citation of all published sources including author, title, place, publisher, and date.
- 2. Indicate all unpublished sources including names and location.
- Names and addresses of local informants plus names and dates of oral interviews.

### B. Maps

- A master map indicating all inventoried sites recorded as a result of the survey process <u>must</u> accompany all OAHP supported survey projects. If of a manageable size, the master site map may be included in the appendices.
- 2. Include any other maps that are of value in understanding results of the survey project or illustrate points raised in the report.

### C. Inventory Forms

 Attach hard copies of historic property inventory forms. Enclose a CD with sites in export text format derived from the Historic Property Inventory Database (Microsoft Access format). Also include on the CD digital photos of sites linked to the database. For more information on sharing database information, see the Database User Manual available at www.oahp.wa.gov.

In conclusion, each survey project is unique in reflecting the historic resource(s) (and its context) which the inventory forms aim to illustrate. As a result, authors of the survey project report are encouraged to tailor the document to reflect the

unique character of the survey area. Survey projects that cover a county or region with multiple jurisdictions may result in a more complex survey report. In such a situation, the historical overview portion of the report may specifically address important communities within the county or region. However, other sections of the survey report should treat the entire survey area in general terms using specific examples where appropriate.



# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ON THE WASHINGTON STATE INVENTORY OF CULTURAL RESOURCES

### 1. When are archaeological site numbers assigned?

Archaeological site numbers, termed Smithsonian Trinomials, are assigned to archaeological resources upon the receipt of a completed Washington State Archaeological Site or Isolate Inventory form.

The form must be completed, reviewed or approved by an individual meeting the Secretary of Interior's Standards as being a professional archaeologist (36CFR61 Appendix A) prior to submittal to OAHP. When archaeological site forms are submitted for historic archaeological resources, only those sites that meet the minimum National Register (36CFR60) age threshold (50 years of age or older) will be retained as archaeological records and assigned Smithsonian Trinomials by OAHP.



Archaeological site numbers are usually requested by archaeologists two different ways: 1) If a previously unrecorded site is located during a survey, a Smithsonian Trinomial can be obtained by faxing the site form to OAHP, before the final survey report is submitted. This way, the proper Smithsonian number can be used throughout the text of the final report. 2) A site form for a previously unrecorded site can be submitted as an appendix in a report, although in this case the temporary field number would have to be used in the text of the report. If a client does not submit the report to OAHP, OAHP will never receive the site form. Therefore, the former method is preferred.

### 2. What is the formal definition of an archaeological site?

The definition of an archaeological site, including both pre-contact (prehistoric) and historic time period sites, are defined in Washington State Law. Generally they are defined as geographic localities that contain artifacts and or features of human construction. Specific references are found in RCW 27.44 and RCW 27.53.

**RCW 27.53.030 Archaeological Site and Resources Act** defines the protected resources as: "Archaeological Site" means a geographic locality in Washington, including but not limited to, submerged and submersible lands and the bed of the

sea within the state's jurisdiction, that contains archaeological objects. "Archaeological object" means an object that comprises the physical evidence of an indigenous and subsequent culture including material remains of past human life including monuments, symbols, tools, facilities, and technological byproducts.

**RCW 27.53.030** also defines "Historic Archaeological Sites" as properties which are listed in or eligible for listing in the Washington State Register of Historic Places (RCW 27.34.220) or the National Register of Historic Places as defined in the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Title 1, Sec. 101, Public Law 89-665; 80 Stat. 915; 16 U.S.C. Sec. 470).

RCW 27.53.040 declares as examples: All sites, objects, structures, artifacts, implements, and locations of prehistoric or archaeological interest, whether previously recorded or still unrecognized, including, but not limited to, those pertaining to prehistoric and historic American Indian or aboriginal burials, campsites, dwellings, and habitation sites, including rock shelters and caves, their artifacts and implements of culture such as projectile points, arrowheads, skeletal remains, grave goods, basketry, pestles, mauls and grinding stones, knives, scrapers, rock carvings and paintings, and other implements and artifacts of any material that are located in, on, or under the surface of any lands or waters owned by or under the possession, custody, or control of the state of Washington or any county, city, or political subdivision of the state are hereby declared to be archaeological resources.

# 3. For inventory purposes, what distinguishes a historic resource from an archaeological resource?

OAHP considers historic properties to be existing elements of the built environment that include buildings, structures, sites, districts, and objects that date from the contact era. Any historic features that are in ruin (i.e. collapsed structures, foundations, etc.) and that are 50 years of age or older are considered

archaeological sites. Such properties must be recorded on the Archaeology Site Inventory Form. If the resource in ruin is less than 50 years in age it should not be recorded at all unless it is determined to possess exceptional significance. For example, if a surveyor needs to record a historic irrigation canal that continues to serve this function, the canal is considered to be a "historic property" and should be recorded in the Historic Property Inventory Database. The Historic



Property Inventory Database should also be used if the irrigation canal has been abandoned but conceivably still could function for its intended purpose. However, using this same example, if the canal structure has been significantly breached or lies only in ruins or disconnected segments, the resource would be considered an historic archaeological site and documented on the Archaeology Site Inventory Form.

For a specific listing of historic site types, how they are classified, and use of OAHP's Archaeology Site Inventory Form, Isolate Inventory Form or the Historic Property Inventory Database, please refer to the Site Type Table (Page 7).

# 4. Is OAHP going to give inventory numbers to cultural landscapes?

OAHP will not assign inventory numbers to cultural landscapes as a class of properties. Those wishing to document cultural landscapes should follow the NPS guidelines and provide the associated contributing properties on the respective OAHP archaeological site inventory form or historic property inventory form and/or the NPS National Register form.

### 5. Will OAHP return inventory forms?

OAHP will return to the sender any submitted archaeology site or isolate inventory forms and historic property inventory records when the forms are deemed to be incomplete by OAHP reviewers. Each form should have all of the required information, including, but not limited to the following: location details,



required maps, photographs, boundary definition, cultural context, and property ownership.

OAHP will also return forms that are not submitted on approved OAHP archaeology site or isolate inventory forms, historic property inventory forms (in digital format) or National Register of Historic Places forms. Forms may also be rejected if they are not completed, reviewed and/or

approved by a professional meeting the Secretary of Interior's Standards for the relevant discipline or if they contain erroneous or false information.

Note that OAHP will not accept archaeology site or isolate inventory forms for resources that are less than 50 years old. If you feel you have an important archaeological site from the recent past that you would like to inventory, please contact OAHP before proceeding.

Currently OAHP is encouraging the submittal of historic property inventory forms for resources that are less than 50 years old that have exceptional significance. This program is part of a "Nifty From the Last 50 Initiative", a program developed to encourage the discussion and appreciation of architecture that best represents the last 50 years. If you have identified an important historic property from the recent past that you would like to inventory, please contact OAHP's architectural historian for additional information about the "Nifty From the Last 50 Initiative".

#### 6. How often should inventory forms be updated?

Existing archaeology site inventory forms should be updated anytime an archaeological site or traditional cultural place is visited by an archaeologist. A site form update should be part of standard survey procedures and plans.

OAHP will expect existing historic property inventory forms to be updated when new information about the property arises or becomes available, or if the form is more than 10 years. New information that would trigger the updating of an existing form should be substantial enough to the point of affecting any evaluation of the property for National Register



eligibility. For example, if a fire at a residence resulted in repairs using inappropriate materials and designs, these repairs comprise information that should be recorded and included on an updated Historic Property Inventory Database entry.

In taking these steps to update inventory forms on a regular basis, inventory data can maintain its usefulness to those needing to access the information and make the best decision possible.

# 7. What is the cut-off date for historic properties when conducting a survey project for OAHP?

For all survey projects, OAHP requires that inventory forms be created for all properties within the APE that are 50 years of age and older regardless of their condition or integrity level. Many large-scale projects in Washington may extend beyond a ten-year time frame. OAHP recommends that a survey cut-off date of 40 years be implemented in order to identify properties that may reach 50 years of age during the project period.

The preservation of the recent past is quickly becoming an important aspect of preservation activities across the country and OAHP encourages surveyors to be aware of important resources from the 1950s, 1960s and even 1970s within their survey areas. While not required, OAHP encourages surveyors to inventory these sites as well.



Full coverage of the survey area is fundamental to historic preservation projects which have federal involvement. The survey results become formal legal documentation and identification of historic resources under federal law.

# 8. What are the specific laws and regulations that protect archaeological resources in the state?

In Washington State several laws protect archaeological sites and Native American graves. These include the RCW 27.44 (the Indian Graves and Records Act, RCW 27.53 (the Archaeological Sites and Resources Act), WAC 25-48 (Archaeological Excavation and Removal Permit), RCW 69.60 (Abandoned and Historic Cemeteries and Historic Graves), and RCW 79.90.565 (Aquatic Lands). For the full text of the various laws visit our website at: <a href="https://www.oahp.wa.gov">www.oahp.wa.gov</a>.

# **APPENDICES**



# CULTURAL RESOURCES SURVEY COVER SHEET

Pleas	se submit reports unbound
Author:	•
Title:	
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	n:Township:Range:E/W Acres:
Does this replace a draft?	<u>Yes No</u>
OAHP Archaeological Site #:	REPORT CHECK LIST
	Report should contain the following items:
	Clear objectives and methods
	A Summary of the results of the survey
	A report of where the survey records and data are stored
	A research design that:
	<ul> <li>Details survey objectives</li> <li>Details specific methods</li> <li>Details expected results</li> <li>Details area surveyed</li> <li>Details how results will be feedback in the planning process planning process</li> </ul>

Reports are now being accepted as PDF's and can be submitted on a cd along with the paper copy.

(Attach additional sheets as necessary)

## STATE OF WASHINGTON

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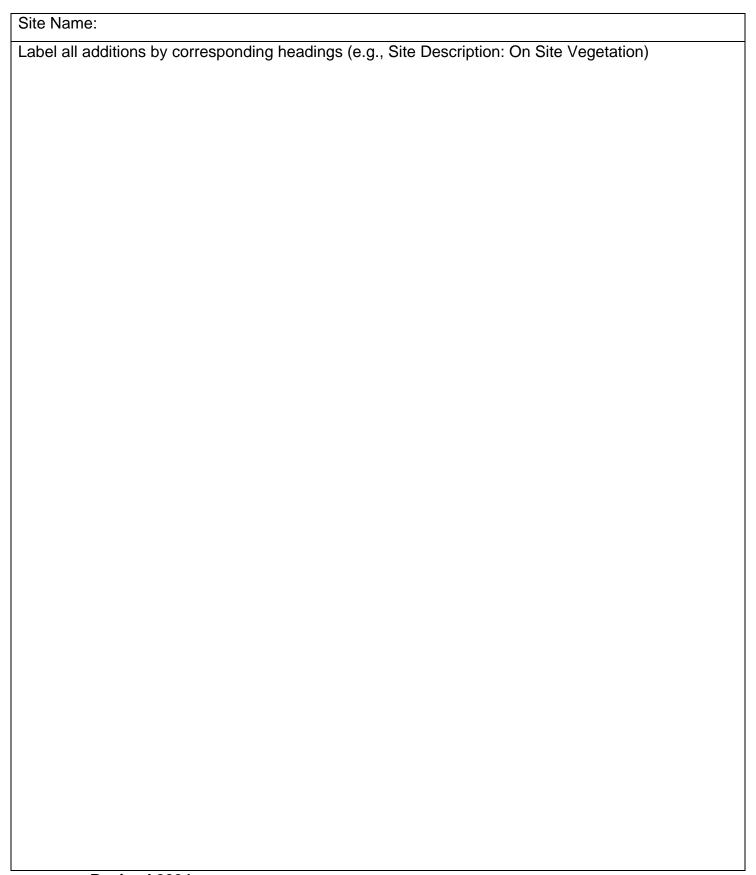
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	SITE RECORDERS
Observed by:	Address:
*Recorded by:	*Affiliation/Address:
*Date Recorded:	
*Affiliation Phone Number:	Affiliation E-mail:
Revisited by:	Affiliation Address:
Date Revisited:	
	SITE HISTORY
*Previous Work (references):	
	SITE OWNERSHIP
*Owner/Address:	
Parcel/ Tax Lot No.	
	FORM RECORDS
Other Forms (specify):	

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USGS MAP
*Quad Name:
*Series:
*Date:
*INSERT USGS MAP PORTION (S)
HIGHLIGHTING SITE
LOCATION AND BOUNDARIES
Section:
Plot site location at left
at left
SKETCH MAP
Legend:
Known boundary
Possible boundary
Other symbols (Other than USGS)
Scale:
North Arrow (Mag.)

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## ARCHAEOLOGY ISOLATE INVENTORY FORM

Site No.\_\_\_\_\_
County\_\_\_\_

*Date: *Co	mpiler:		
	ISC	LATE DESIG	NATION
*Isolate Type: Isolate Name /Temporary Designation:			
	IS	SOLATE LOCA	ATION
*7.5min USGS Quad Ma	p Name:		
*Legal Description: T.	R. E/W	, Section(s):	Quarter Section(s):
*UTM: Zone East	ing	Northing	Elevation (ft/m):
*Location Description (g	eneral to specif	ic):	
*Approach (to relocate):			
	IS	SOLATE DESC	CRIPTION
*Estimated Age:			
*Narrative Description:			
Vegetation: On Site			
Local:		Regional:	
Landforms: On Site:		Local:	
Water Resources: Type		Distance:	Permanence:
Method of Collection(s)	and Location of	Artifacts (Tem	nporary/ Permanent):
	Į:	SOLATE REC	ORDERS
*Recorded by: *Affiliation and Address:			*Date Recorded: *Affiliation Phone Number: Affiliation E-mail:
		LAND OWNE	ERSHIP
*Owner/Address and Ta	x Lot No. <i>(if ava</i>	ailable):	

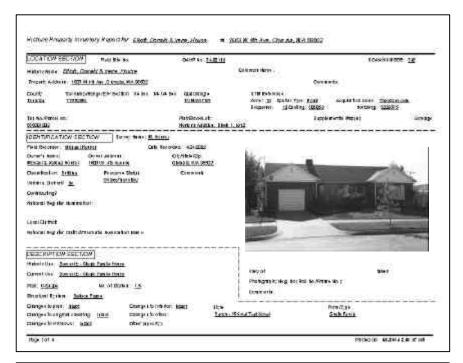
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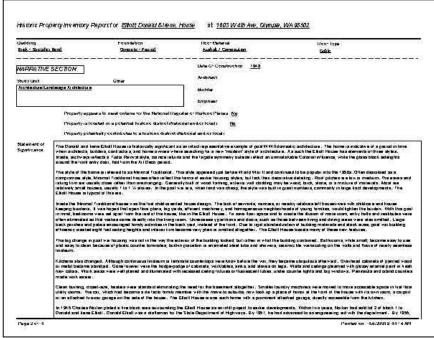
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*Series:
*Date:
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HIGHLIGHTING SITE
LOCATION AND BOUNDARIES
Section:
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#### HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY FORM EXAMPLE

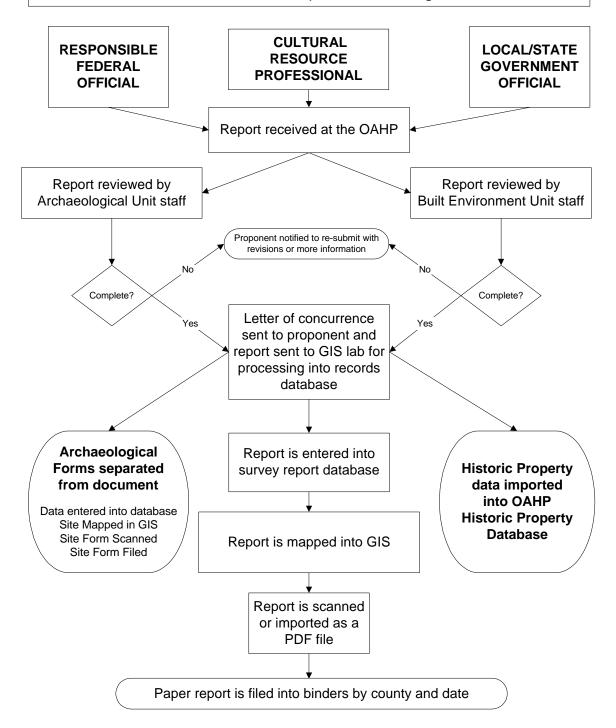
#### From Electronic Microsoft Access Database





## **Cultural Resource Survey Report Flowchart:**

Review and Compliance Tracking



# Cultural Resource Inventory Forms Flowchart:

